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IN RE U.S. NATIONAL PHASE OF  
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION  
PCT/GB95/00893

U.S. SERIAL NO.: 08/727,505

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APPLICANT: Paul A. Brown

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PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136, applicant respectfully petitions for a three-month extension of time to extend the time for response to the Official Action dated December 23, 1999, from March 23, 2000 to June 23, 2000. Please find enclosed an

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Amendment in Response to Official Action, and a check for \$1,026.00 to cover the three-month extension fee (\$870.00) and the fee (\$156.00) for presenting two additional independent claims. Please charge any deficiency in the extension fee or additional claims fee from or refund any excess payment to Arnold, White & Durkee Deposit Account No. 01-2508, Order No. NRWB:003.

Respectfully submitted,



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